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The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of greetings to the World Conference for the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea. The message of greetings reads:

To the World Conference for the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea

Brussels

In the name of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people and in my own, I extend warm congratulations to the "World Conference for the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea" and all the delegates to the conference.

Today when the history of our homogeneous Korean nation has recorded 32 years of division, not reunification and peace but the danger of the permanent split of the nation and nuclear war is still growing further in our country owing to the "two Koreas" policy and new war provocation manoeuvres of the domestic and foreign splittists.

To reunify the divided country is not only the long-cherished greatest national desire of the Korean people but also the pressing question for a durable peace in Asia and the world.

With a view to guaranteeing peace in Korea and accelerating the reunification of the country, the nuclear weapons must be shipped out of south Korea immediately and the United States army be unconditionally withdrawn; the fascist terrorist ruling system of south Korea, the source of a discord within the nation, must be liquidated and an atmosphere of great national unity be created.

Your conference which has been convened as a reflection of the lofty desire and aspiration of the world progressive peoples desirous of peace in Korea and her reunification will constitute a great support and encouragement to the just cause of our people for the reunification of the country and a telling blow to the imperialists and their stooges engrossed in division and war.

Convinced that your conference will mark an epochal turning-point in further expanding and developing the international solidarity movement in support of the Korean people's cause of national reunification, I wish your conference great success in its work.

KIM IL SUNG

General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea
President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Pyongyang, February 19, 1977

"We Are under the Great Leader President KIM IL SUNG Whom the Whole World Looks Up to with Reverence"

South Korean People's Boundless Reverence for the Respected and Beloved Leader

Students of a university in Seoul had a secret reading party on January 20 at which they made fervent speeches expressing their deep reverence for the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, the sun of the nation, according to Radio "Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification".

A collegian surnamed Li said in an excited tone:

"Great President Kim Il Sung was the first in the world to discover the profound philosophical truth that man should be respected and the greatest importance be attached to man and found the Juche idea.

"This signified a great revolutionary turn in the human history of thought.

"Today the Juche idea is displaying its invincible vitality; it serves as a torchlight of the times and a pabulum propelling our student movement.

"President Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea, is, indeed, the great master of the greatest thoughts and theories in the present times".

A student surnamed Pak said: **"President Kim Il Sung is the peerless statesman and great strategist without an equal in world history."** Highly lauding the great leader, the student remarked:

"I read recently articles written by famous statesmen and public figures of Japan and various other countries who had been received by President Kim Il Sung. They were unanimous in highly praising President Kim Il Sung's outstanding politics, noble virtues and affectionate personality.

"Some articles described the strategy of President Kim Il Sung as an outstanding strategy whose merit can hardly be estimated or measured even with an electronic computer".

A student surnamed Kim said in an excited tone:

"The prospect of developments is bright, because the present era moves ahead as taught by President Kim Il Sung.

"The people say that it is only President Kim Il Sung who will reunify the divided country. This will come true before long, I think.

"We should fight, firmly convinced that the Pak 'regime' is bound to go to ruin and our struggle is sure to triumph".

He passionately declared: **"We should become sunflowers following General Kim Il Sung, the sun of the nation, for ever, deeply aware that we are the vanguards propagating the Juche idea".**

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Reverence for the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, the sun of the nation and legendary hero, is growing deeper among south Korean teachers, students and their parents.

According to Radio "Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification," a certain Han, teacher of a primary school in Ryongdong area, speaking before over 20 pupils of the graduating class, said: **"All the people in the north are united around President Kim Il Sung and they are free from worries about food and clothing and enjoy longevity, receiving education and medical service free of charge under the care of the fatherly leader".**

He went on to say:

"We are under the great leader President Kim Il Sung whom the whole world looks up to with reverence.

"Today we are poor, but tomorrow we will be happy".

The radio added: "The sentiments of respect and reverence for the great leader are burning among the people, spreading from teachers to pupils and from pupils to their parents and popular masses like a prairie fire".

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The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Expresses Condolence over the Passing Away of President of the Republic of India

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of condolence to B.D. Jatti, Acting President of the Republic of India, on the death of Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, President of the Republic of India on February 13.

The message of condolence reads:

Upon hearing the sad news that His Excellency Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, President of the Republic of India, passed away, I express deep condolence to you and, through you, to the Government of the Republic of India, the Indian people and the bereaved family of the deceased on behalf of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Korean people and on my own.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung sent on the 14th a wreath to the embassy of the Republic of India in Pyongyang, expressing condolence over the death of President Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed.

The wreath sent by the great leader and a wreath sent in joint name by the Central People's Committee and the Administration Council of the DPRK were laid before the portrait of the deceased.

That day Comrades Kang Ryang Uk, Rim Chun Chu, Ho Dam and Kye Ung Tae, and personages concerned called at the embassy of the Republic of India, observed a moment's silence in deep sorrow over the death of Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed and signed in the mourners' book.

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Upon hearing the sad news that Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, President of the Republic of India, died, functionaries of Ministries of the Administration Council, central organs and a friendship organization on February 14 called at the embassy of the Republic of India in Pyongyang to express condolence.

His Excellency DIDIER RATSIRAKA

President
Democratic Republic of Madagascar

Antananarivo

Upon hearing the news that some areas of Madagascar including her capital suffered great damages from the recent cyclone and flood, I express deep sympathy with Your Excellency and the people in the afflicted areas.

I firmly believe that the Malagasy government and people under the correct leadership of Your Excellency will recover the cyclone and flood damages at an early date and stabilize the life of the people in the afflicted areas.

KIM IL SUNG

President
Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Pyongyang, February 16, 1977

TELEGRAMS

✦The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, sent a message of greetings to **Samora Moises Machel** on the successful conclusion of the Third Congress of the Liberation Front of Mozambique and his reelection as Chairman of its Central Committee.

✦The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of greetings to **Dawda Kairaba Jawara**, President of the Republic of Gambia, greeting the 12th anniversary of the independence of Gambia.

✦The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK, sent a message of greetings to **Narita Tomomi**, on the latter's reelection as Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Japan Socialist Party at its 40th Congress.

✦The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message to **Moussa Traore**, Head of State and Premier of the Government of Mali, who is Chairman of the Military Committee of National Liberation, in reply to the message of greetings sent to him on the 29th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army.

✦The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message of greetings from **Ibrahim Mohamed Al Hamdi**, Chairman of the Command Council and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Yemen Arab Republic, on the occasion of the 29th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG's Immortal Classic Works Printed in Foreign Publications

Immortal classic works of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung are widely coming out in newspapers and magazines of foreign countries.

Bangladesh paper "Nayayug" carried **"Let Us Achieve the Independent, Peaceful Reunification of the Country"**, the third part of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's immortal classic work **"On the Occasion of the 30th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Workers' Party of Korea"**.

In its preface the paper said:

The US imperialists cooked up the present south Korean puppet regime and give enormous economic and military "aid" to it. And they are trying to perpetuate the division of Korea, keeping their troops in south Korea.

All the Korean people are waging a vigorous struggle against the aggressive moves of the US imperialists and for the country's reunification.

His Excellency Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, clarified the policy of the country's independent and peaceful reunification reflecting the unanimous aspiration of all the Korean people.

Pakistani paper "Siasat" printed the great leader's immortal classic work **"The Youth Must Take Over the Revolution and Carry It Forward."**

In its preface the paper stressed:

The Korean youths, educated and brought up in the great leader President Kim Il Sung's outstanding idea on the youth movement, have grown into the reliable successor to the revolution and are working miracles on all fronts of socialist construction.

A number of immortal classic works of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung also appeared on many other foreign newspapers and magazines: **"On the Building of New Korea and the National United Front"** on the Pakistani papers "Awami" and "Guzirat"; **"All Efforts to Attain the Goal of Eight Million Tons of Grain"** on the Lao paper "Vientiane Mai"; **"The Non-Alignment Movement Is a Mighty Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Force of Our Times"** on the Mexican magazine "La Unidad"; **"The Great Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Cause of the Asian, African and Latin American Peoples Is Invincible"** on the Lao paper "Vientiane Mai"; the gist of **"The Results of the Agrarian Reform and Future Tasks"** on the Pakistani paper "Siasat"; the gist of **"On Training the Party Spirit of the Trade Workers and Holding Fast to Independence in Foreign Trade"** on the Cameroon magazine "Africo Industrie"; the gist of **"Let Us Further Strengthen the Socialist System of Our Country"** on the Pakistani paper "Aptab"; **"Talk with Journalists of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan"** on the Greek paper "Acropolis" and Maltese paper "Malta News".

The said newspapers and magazines carried the august picture of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

IN SUPPORT OF NEW SAVE-THE-NATION PROPOSAL

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Letters from Foreign Countries

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received from the Chairman of the Lebanese Socialist Progressive Party, the Peruvian Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification and the Democratic Yemen-Korea Friendship Committee the letters supporting the new save-the-nation proposal advanced at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang.

In his letter Khamal Joumblath, Chairman of the Lebanese Socialist Progressive Party, said:

We manifest our full support and solidarity for the letter adopted at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang for Korea's reunification.

We also express full solidarity with all nations and peoples who are achieving liberation and peace, democracy and socialism through struggle in our era under the banner of the Juche idea, the letter noted and continued:

We are firmly convinced that under the wise leadership of esteemed Your Excellency Korea is sure to be reunified.

The letter from the Peruvian Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification pointed out that the new save-the-nation proposal most correctly reflects the three principles and five-point policy for Korea's independent and peaceful reunification put forward by you, the great leader, in person, and that this proposal is the most fair proposal for accelerating the reunification of Korea. It stressed:

Expressing to you, the great leader, our full support and solidarity for the new save-the-nation proposal set forth at the recent joint meeting, the Peruvian Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification assures you of its active support and encouragement to the just struggle of the Korean people to make the US imperialist army of aggression withdraw from south Korea and reunify the country independently and peacefully by themselves without any outside interference.

The letter from the Democratic Yemen-Korea Friendship Committee said:

Considering that the four-point save-the-nation proposal specified in the letter—the realization of a great alliance of the socialist forces in the north and the patriotic democratic forces in the south desirous of reunification, the relaxation of tensions between north and south, the convocation of the north-south political consultative conference, etc.—is the most realistic proposal for smashing the enemy's "two Koreas" plot and maintaining and consolidating peace in Korea and the whole world, we fully support it.

The letter reverentially wished good health and a long life to Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people and the revolutionary people the world over, for the eternal friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Democratic Yemen and Korea and for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

CC of the WPK Receives Messages from Parties of Many Countries

Messages of solidarity supporting the new save-the-nation proposal put forward at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang are coming in succession to the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea from parties of various countries.

In its letter the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam noted that the Communist Party of Viet Nam and the Vietnamese people reassure their invariable solidarity with the fraternal Korean people in their struggle for national reunification, and stressed:

The US imperialists and the puppet clique must give up at once the "two Koreas" plot, all the US troops be withdrawn from south Korea unconditionally, taking along all kinds of lethal weapons, their fascist suppression of the people and their vicious violations of democratic freedom in south Korea be stopped and the question of Korean reunification be settled by the Korean people themselves without any interference of foreign forces.

The message from the Central Committee of the Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party pointed out:

We believe that the desire of the Korean people to prevent the permanent national division, remove the danger of war and attain the country's peaceful reunification will surely be realized under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The four-point save-the-nation proposal for hastening the independent reunification of the country is a practical measure for creating an atmosphere of great national unity and successfully achieving the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

The Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party representing the entire Somali people will continue to organize and mobilize the entire Somali people to extend powerful support and solidarity for the fraternal Korean people who are struggling for the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

In its message the Central Committee of the Socialist Left Party of Norway said:

We highly appreciate the constructive and just proposals contained in the letter adopted at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

These new proposals fully accord with the interests of the entire Korean people.

We will make every possible effort to take the most effective steps in support of these important proposals for the peaceful reunification of Korea.

Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification Inaugurated

An inauguration meeting of the Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification was held at the conference hall of the state palace in Bujumbra on January 31, according to a report.

Placed with due respect on the platform of the hall were a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of Burundi President Jean-Baptiste Bagaza.

The meeting was addressed by the mayor of Bujumbra.

Saying that the Burundi government decided to form the Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification for the purpose of more actively supporting and encouraging the just struggle of the Korean people for the country's reunification, the mayor continued:

We unconditionally support the policy of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea expounded by President Kim Il Sung, the great genius in the art of leadership.

The policy of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea put forward by the great leader President Kim Il Sung most correctly reflects the desire not only of the Korean people but of the Burundi people and other peaceloving peoples the world over.

The Burundi government demands that the imperialist troops occupying south Korea be withdrawn without delay in accordance with the resolution on the Korean question adopted at the 30th UN General Assembly.

The Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification will make every possible effort in support of the Korean people's just cause of forcing the imperialist aggression troops to withdraw from south Korea and achieving the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

Concluding his speech, the mayor shouted at the top of his voice **"Long live the great leader President Kim Il Sung!"**

The ambassador of our country spoke next.

At the meeting mayor of Bujumbra Murange was elected Chairman of the Burundi Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification and its six members were elected.

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Portuguese Committee for Supporting Korea's Democratic and Peaceful Reunification Formed

The Portuguese Committee for Supporting the Democratic and Peaceful Reunification of Korea was inaugurated on January 14, according to a report from Lisbon.

Lawyer Luiz De Asevedo, Member of the Secretariat of the Portuguese Democratic Lawyers Association, was elected chairman of the committee.

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COMRADE KIM IL SUNG—A THINKER AND THEORETICIAN OF GENIUS

Goumoan Hippolyte

Comrade Kim Il Sung is a distinguished thinker and talented theoretician who created great revolutionary ideas and theories and has led the Korean revolution to victory and glory with unusual constancy.

I express admiration for the historic exploits the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has made, and mention here some aspects of his glorious revolutionary life and ideo-theoretical activities.

COMRADE KIM IL SUNG IS A GREAT THINKER AND MARXIST-LENINIST THEORETICIAN

Comrade Kim Il Sung set about the revolutionary struggle in his early years under the influence of his revolutionary family. Since then he has rendered great meritorious services to the revolutionary cause of the working class and the development of Marxism-Leninism.

The leader created the great immortal Juche idea at the initial stage of the Korean revolution and, through a protracted struggle for the revolutionary cause, he has brought the Marxist-Leninist theory to a new, higher stage to meet the demands of our times. From the time he came out for the revolutionary struggle, Comrade Kim Il Sung, an outstanding thinker and brilliant theoretician, considered that a new strategy and a new theory on the guidance and unity of the masses were necessary in destroying Japanese imperialism and achieving national liberation. At the same time, he stressed that, in order to win the great revolutionary struggle, the working class should have a scientific revolutionary theory.

Thus, he creatively developed Marxism-Leninism in conformity with the requirements of the Korean revolution and advanced a new revolutionary theory.

With the start of the revolutionary activities of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the Korean people could have a definite fighting programme in their revolutionary struggle, a programme based on the scientific analysis of the situation and adapted to the diverse stages of the armed struggle. By putting forward this programme, the respected and beloved leader opened up a new era, an era of victory and glory, for the national-liberation and communist movements in Korea.

Basing himself on the objective demand of the Korean revolution, Comrade Kim Il Sung founded the Juche idea. Ever since, all his revolutionary activities have been permeated with the Juche-oriented position: Never turn to others in making revolution or in carrying out the tasks of the socialist construction of the country but take an independent stand worthy of a master of the revolution and rely on one's own strength and the creativity of the masses. Sticking to this very stand, Comrade Kim Il Sung studied a lot of Marxist-Leninist works in close combination with the Korean revolution and widely disseminated them in the early days of his revolutionary activities. In addition, he wrote and published in person a great number of revolutionary works.

Comrade Kim Il Sung is devoting his whole life to ceaseless, energetic ideo-theoretical activities for the good of the Korean revolution and the world revolution, performing prominent ideo-theoretical exploits without letup.

In the crucible of the anti-Japanese armed struggle in which the politico-military activities were conducted dynamically yet laboriously, he wrote in person **"The Ten-point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland,"** the synthesis of the great plan for the national-liberation revolution of Korea, **"The Tasks of Korean Communists"**, a work of great politico-ideological and theoretical significance, and many other works which clarified the theory, strategy and tactics on the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution. Both in the days of the arduous struggle for liberation and in the trying period of the hard-fought Fatherland Liberation War, he advanced the outstanding theories which indicated the most correct and straight road to surmount the great obstacles in the way of the revolution.

In a host of his works he clearly showed the way to socialism in the wake of the democratic revolution.

After the socialist system was established in Korea, Comrade Kim Il Sung intensified his ideo-theoretical activities to pave the way to socialism and communism. In this way he gave a clear-cut and scientific answer to all questions arising in the struggle for the complete victory of socialism and the building of communism. Some of his most important works are: **"On Eliminating Dogmatism and Formalism and Establishing Juche in Ideological Work"**, **"On Some Theoretical Problems of the Socialist Economy"**, **"Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country"** and **"On the Question of the Period of Transition from Capitalism to Socialism and the Dictatorship of the Proletariat"**. Besides, there are numerous works dealing with diverse economic, ideo-theoretical problems. In these works, Comrade Kim Il Sung lit up brightly the road for all the people to follow in building socialism and communism.

As we all know, the thoughts of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the sun of the Korean revolution, cover every stage and domain of the revolution and construction of the country and run on every facet of the people's life. We, therefore, can say that a wide range of his practical activities amount to the process of creating the great theoretical wealth which affords lessons to all revolutionaries of the world.

Comrade Kim Il Sung has devoted more than half a century of his life to the revolutionary cause, to the victory of socialism and communism in Korea.

He is invariably dedicating his all to the development of the world revolutionary movement. He clearly outlined the strategic and tactical policies for the development of the revolutionary movement, the direction of the principal strategic attack of the revolution in our times, the targets of the common struggle of all the revolutionary forces and the orientation of the struggle to destroy them. In particular, he taught that in order to strengthen the revolutionary forces of the world, it is necessary to further develop the national-liberation movement in colonies while increasing the socialist forces. Comrade Kim Il Sung defined the national-liberation movement in colonies as one of the main forces of the world revolution in our times and gave clear-cut answers to all the theoretical and practical questions arising in this movement—the targets and motive force of the struggle, the formation of the revolutionary forces and the forms of struggle, and even the question of transition to socialism. He has thus again developed the Marxist-Leninist theory on the national-liberation struggle.

The strategy of the world revolution formulated by Comrade Kim Il Sung has fully demonstrated its validity in the arduous struggle and become a powerful ideo-theoretical weapon of the people for national independence, democracy and socialism.

THE GREAT IMMORTAL JUCHE IDEA

The great ideo-theoretical exploit of the great respected and beloved leader is that, first of all, he founded the great immortal Juche idea fully reflecting the urgent demand of the revolutionary development of the present era.

After founding this Juche idea, Marshal Kim Il Sung developed original theories in many of his works on the basis of that idea. He gave profound and concrete answers to the theoretical and practical problems that crop up in establishing Juche—the revolutionary essence and fundamental demand of the Juche idea, the principle and means for its correct application to all domains of revolution and construction, etc. The Juche idea is an idea showing the fundamental position and attitude to be taken in revolution and construction, and is the most correct and highly important guideline for their successful accomplishment. The Juche idea fully reflects the demand of the masses, the true masters of the revolution and construction, for independence and creativity. Juche shows us that the independence based on the principle of Juche is a complete independence with which one assumes entire responsibility for the revolution and construction of one's country, and is an independence which is based on the international solidarity of the working class and proletarian internationalism. And independence and creativity form an inseparable, organic whole in the Juche idea. Independence is unthinkable apart from creativity, and vice versa. After all, creativity can be fully displayed only when it is based on independence. One can creatively solve all of one's problems only when one takes the independent position in which one thinks with one's own brain and solves one's problem for oneself on one's own responsibility, without recourse to others.

The Juche idea of Marshal Kim Il Sung is an idea which furnishes the guiding principle to be observed by the working class and all the Communists in all domains of the revolution and construction.

Referring to Juche, Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"Juche in ideology, independence in politics, self-sustenance in the economy and self-defence in national defence—this is the stand our Party has consistently adhered to."

Today, independence based on the Juche idea represents the inevitable tendency of our age.

We are convinced that the great revolutionary Juche idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung will grip the hearts of all the revolutionary people of the world with the passage of time and turn into a great material force, throwing its bright rays on their anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist, anti-racist and anti-Zionist struggle. The Juche idea has become the guideline and fighting programme of all the oppressed and exploited nations.

COMRADE KIM IL SUNG IS A GREAT PRACTICIAN

Comrade Kim Il Sung is not only an outstanding thinker and theoretician but also a great revolutionary practician. With his wise and consistent leadership, he has steadily led the difficult and arduous Korean revolution along the road of victory and glory.

By faithfully following the principle of Juche under the wise leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, a great strategist and iron-willed Supreme Commander, the heroic Korean people could beat Japanese imperialism and attain national liberation, accomplish the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution, deal a terrible blow at the US imperialists and their lackeys and defend the independence and honour of the fatherland, and transform the country into a powerful socialist industrial state.

As we have seen during our visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Korean people have achieved great victories in the socialist revolution and construction.

The Korean people now possess a self-defence power strong enough to vanquish any aggressor. Today the Korean People's Army has become a powerful armed force equipped with the latest means of warfare.

Sticking to the principle of Juche, the Korean people have flowered their immensely rich national culture with a history of thousands of years and developed their brilliant arts.

A striking evidence of this can be found in the great successes the Mansudae Art Troupe of the DPRK achieved during its performance tours of Asia, Europe and Africa by presenting the revolutionary operas "The Sea of Blood" and "The Flower Girl" adapted from the immortal classics. I once again call to my mind the tremendous ovations which were given to the performances of the Korean art troupe during the 10th World Festival of Youth and Students held in the German Democratic Republic in the summer of 1973.

In Korea, the 11-year universal compulsory free education and free medical service are in force. The DPRK Government took such an important step as to cut the prices of manufactured goods by 30 per cent on an average and 50 per cent at the maximum from March 1, 1974.

At the same time, it enforced a law on completely abolishing all sorts of taxes from April 1, that year. Thus, the Korean people have become completely free from taxation, a vestige of the old society. This marks a great event in the history of the Korean people and a historic event of worldwide significance.

Today the Korean people, encouraged by the infinite paternal care shown for them by Marshal Kim Il Sung, have all come out as one in the grand socialist construction with revolutionary enthusiasm in order to attain the complete victory of socialism.

All victories and successes achieved by the fraternal Korean people are associated with the wise and steady leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, a great theoretician and practician.

In a word, they are a brilliant victory of the great Juche idea and a fruit borne by the independent line of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the revolutionary leader of genius.

"Lebanese Women's Group for the Study of the Juche Idea of Comrade KIM IL SUNG" Inaugurated

An inaugural meeting of the "Lebanese Women's Group for the Study of the Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung" was held in Beirut on February 4, according to a report.

Placed with due respect in the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

A letter to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was unanimously adopted by the attendants amid enthusiastic applause.

The meeting was attended by a large number of Lebanese women who make a profound study of the immortal classic works of the great leader.

The General Secretary of the Lebanon-Korea Friendship Association made an opening address. Then followed a report and speeches.

Saying that the "Lebanese Women's Group for the Study of the Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung" was being inaugurated with the birthday of the great leader President Kim Il Sung approaching, the speakers spoke in unison of their great joy and emotion.

The Juche idea of the great leader President Kim Il Sung is the beacon flare of our time brightly illumining the path to be followed by the world's people, they stressed. The Juche idea, they noted, is a great idea which brings complete emancipation to the women in all fields, political, economic and cultural.

They expressed full support to the policy of the country's independent and peaceful reunification put forward by the great leader and voiced support for the new save-the-nation proposal advanced by the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang.

They decided to frequently hold seminars to make a more comprehensive study of the Juche idea of the great leader.

Resolution on Korean Question and Action Program Adopted

At the 40th Convention of JSP

The 40th Convention of the Japan Socialist Party held in Tokyo from February 8 to 10 adopted a resolution on the Korean question and an action program for 1977.

The resolution on the Korean question said that the Japan-"ROK" fusion has been exposed continuously. It went on:

The state of affairs concerning the question of Korean reunification is growing more acute. As long as the present situation continues in which the US forces are present and nuclear weapons are deployed in south Korea, Korea faces a constant danger of a nuclear war and there is a great possibility of its impact reaching Japan in case of emergency.

To demand in louder voice the withdrawal of the US forces from south Korea and actively support Korea's independent and peaceful reunification is a due obligation of us who wish to ensure peace in Japan and Asia and smash the "Japan-US security system".

Expressing full support to the new national salvation proposal of the DPRK, the resolution said that the Japan Socialist Party will wage the struggle for exposing the Japan-"ROK" nexus and call upon the broad world public to make the US forces withdraw from south Korea and thus further strengthen the struggle supporting Korea's independent and peaceful reunification.

The action program adopted at the convention referred to the matter of supporting Korea's independent and peaceful reunification and promoting Japan-Korea friendship and the normalization of state relations between them, and said:

The JSP struggles against all acts obstructive to the friendship between the peoples of Japan and Korea and for the strengthening of the relations of friendship and amity between them.

Korea is one. We will struggle to smash the acts of the US imperialists and the reactionary forces standing in the way of Korea's reunification, actively support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea on the three principles of independence, peaceful reunification and great national unity and strive to promote it.

The action program said that the JSP will endeavour to normalize the state relations between Japan and Korea and defend the democratic, national rights of the Korean citizens in Japan and strengthen the solidarity for the struggle of the south Korean people.

It demanded the withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea and the entry into the United Nations under a single national nomenclature and pointed out:

We will further strengthen the relations of friendship and cooperation with the Workers' Party of Korea, realize the visit of the delegation of the WPK to Japan, dispatch the delegation of the Japan Socialist Party to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and advance the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and the withdrawal of the US troops and nuclear weapons from south Korea.

Choe Gun

"Let's Conduct a Vigorous Mass Movement in Support of the Korean People's Struggle for National Reunification"

Grand Emergency Meeting of Representatives of People of Various Strata Held in Japan

An "emergency meeting of representatives of people of various strata for probing into the corrupt relations of fusion between Japan and south Korea, opposing the US-Japan-south Korea military and economic coordination and supporting the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea" was held at the second Dietmen's hall of the House of Representatives in Tokyo on the afternoon of February 16 with large attendance.

The meeting was held in a grave situation where Kim Jong Pil and other south Korean puppet national assembly members thronged into Japan and held the "6th general meeting of the Japan-south Korea parliamentarians league" together with Dietmen from the Liberal Democratic Party and the Democratic Socialist Party of Japan in an attempt to further strengthen the shady Japan-south Korea fusion.

The meeting was convened on the motion of Narita Tomomi, Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Japan Socialist Party; Miyamoto Kenji, Chairman of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Japan Communist Party; Makieda Motofumi, Chairman of the General Council of Japan Trade Unions (Sohyo); Ichikawa Makoto, Representative Member of the Japan Committee for Supporting the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea and Member of the Preparatory Committee of the World Conference Supporting the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea; and Aochi Shin, representative of the "Japan Liaison Council for Solidarity with the South Korean People."

Present at the meeting were promoters, a deputy for a promoter, prominent figures of political, public and academic circles and the press and representatives of 78 organizations, more than 200 in all.

Representatives of Various Strata Make Speeches

On behalf of the sponsors, Ichikawa Makoto addressed the rally first.

The Korean Peninsula is now drawing worldwide attention, he stressed, and said: The Fukuda cabinet of Japan is trying to cover up the truth of Japan-south Korea nexus. In particular, members of the south Korean puppet national assembly are crowding into Japan with a view to newly tightening the political, economic and military tie-ups with pro-south Korean Japanese Dietmen. This can never be overlooked.

He denounced the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique for their despicable bribe-Japan operations. He called

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To Create an Atmosphere of Great National Unity Is Indispensable Requisite for Solution of National Reunification Question

The joint meeting of political parties and public organizations which was held recently in Pyongyang presented a proposal to eradicate the source of discord within the nation and create an atmosphere of great national unity as one of the save-the-nation measures for removing the crisis of permanent division and hastening the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The main contents of this new proposal are the elimination of the suppressive regime in south Korea and the realization of democracy, the release of the illegally arrested and imprisoned patriots and democrats, the abolition of the "anti-communist" policy, the discontinuation of slanders against the other side and the realization of many-sided economic cooperation between the north and the south.

This proposal is a just nation-saving proposal which most correctly reflects the urgent demand in the solution of the country's reunification question and the development of the present situation.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"In order to solve all problems for the country's peaceful reunification, it is essential to bring about the great unity of the nation, transcending the differences in social system, political views and religious beliefs. Therefore, an atmosphere of mutual understanding, respect and trust must be created, through the elimination of misunderstanding and distrust between the north and south." ("Answers to the Questions Raised by Foreign Journalists", Eng. ed., p. 278.)

To obviate the source of discord within the nation and create an atmosphere of great national unity is one of the indispensable requisites—the first and foremost task which should be solved in realizing the cause of the country's reunification.

For solving the country's reunification question peacefully on the basis of the principle of independence, the great national unity should be attained. To this end, the discord, misunderstanding and distrust within the nation should be removed and a climate of mutual understanding, trust and unity created.

Reunifying the country independently and peacefully means solving the domestic problems of the nation, not subject to the interference of outside forces but with the efforts of the Korean people themselves and not by means of war but in a peaceful way. This inevitably requires the unity of all the patriotic forces demanding independence, democracy, peace and reunification.

This requirement can be met only when the source of discord and distrust is removed and mutual understanding and trust are maintained.

Under the present situation where the fascist suppression has reached the zenith in south Korea, the campaign to incite national confrontation and antagonism is carried on without hesitation and, accordingly, the cause of the country's reunification is gravely menaced, it is all the more urgent to dispel the source of national discord and create an atmosphere of great national unity.

Today south Korea is turning not only into a nuclear base fraught with the danger of war but also into an unheard-of horror-stricken land under the sway of fascism.

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are mercilessly punishing and murdering all the social and political elements detrimental to their moves of perpetual national division and war manoeuvres, particularly, the patriots and democratic figures advocating democracy and peaceful reunification, through the fabrication of hundreds of, thousands of fascist evil laws and all sorts of "cases".

The barbaric crackdown by the hangmen who have converted south Korea into a land without a trace of democracy and a bloodstained human abattoir is a high-handed attack against our people. And it is also a rude challenge to the fair world public opinion opposing the suppression of human rights and demanding the release of political prisoners and the abolition of fascist dictatorship.

Covering up their savage fascist suppression with "anti-communism" the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are malignantly slandering and vilifying us, engendering antagonism between the north and the south and feverishly hastening war preparations under the pretext of "threat of southward invasion".

Owing to these activities of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who have lost their reason completely, the national harmony and trust are broken and the tension between the north and the south has become extremely acute and thus the danger of perpetual division and war is threatening the future of our nation even more seriously. This is also a grave threat to peace and security in the world.

As long as this situation remains unchanged, not a problem can be settled in the improvement of the north-south relations or in the solution of the country's reunification question. If things go on like this, the wall of division will be further cemented and only a war will break out spreading with rapidity.

Therefore, to liquidate the source of discord within the nation and create an atmosphere of great national unity poses itself as an urgent problem whose solution brooks not a moment's delay in bettering the relations between the north and the south and expediting the country's reunification at the present stage.

For this purpose the fascist and splittist system of tyranny in south Korea should, first of all, be abolished, the freedom of speech, the press, assembly, association and demonstration and all other forms of democracy should be ensured and the illegally arrested and imprisoned patriotic people and democratic personages released unconditionally.

Without liquidating the fascist regime opposing in every way unity and creating discord in south Korea, no solution can arrive at any problem to be raised in achieving great national unity, whether it be the problem of gaining democracy or the problem of setting free the patriotic people and democratic personages, or other matter.

At the same time, the discontinuation of the calumnies and slanders against each other and the withdrawal of the "anti-communist" policy against the fellow countrymen are one of the fundamental demands for creation of the atmosphere of great national unity.

As the grave situation of our country shows, without putting an end to the "anti-communist" campaign in south Korea and to the aspersions on our side, the tension in Korea and the mistrust between the same race cannot be removed, nor can the atmosphere of great national unity be created.

It is self-evident that only when the "anti-communist" policy against the same blood is renounced and the policy of alliance with communism is carried out, the mud-slinging at the other side is stopped and the climate of mutual respect is created, can real improvement be brought about in the relations between the north and the south.

Creation of an atmosphere of great national unity also calls for realizing many-sided economic cooperation between the north and the south. The economic cooperation will serve as a momentous lever to dispel the stored-up misunderstanding and distrust, rejoin the severed ties of the nation and create the precondition for reunification.

Indeed, the nation-saving proposal to create an atmosphere of great national unity, a proposal presented at the recent joint meeting of political parties and public organizations, most correctly mirrors the ardent desire of the whole nation and the demand of the reality for the country's reunification and so it constitutes a basis of the national harmony and unity and a proposal of encouragement powerfully rousing our people to action for the accomplishment of the national cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Hence the national salvation proposal put forward by the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations is now evoking widespread repercussions at home and abroad and enjoying warm support of the public circles.

The Korean people will exert sincere efforts to remove the source of national discord and create an atmosphere of great national unity for promoting the cause of the country's reunification.

Choe Si Hwan

New Films

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"All kinds of art are necessary for the education of our working people and young folks, but stress should be laid on novels and films. Above all, we should produce a lot of good films."

Our film workers have recently produced a number of film pieces, upholding the great leader's Juche-oriented thought on literature and art and the Party's revolutionary policy on literature and art.

Among them are documentary films including "Mt. Paekdu-san", feature films "The Story about a Seaman", "An Unforgettable Person" and "Girl Chairman of a Management Board" and scientific and juvenile films.

"Mt. Paekdu-san" created by the Korean Documentary Film Studio shows the magnificent and sublime features of Mt. Paekdu-san, the symbol of our Party's glorious revolutionary traditions established by the great leader, the pride of our nation and the witness of history, and scenic spots around this mountain and tells about the undying stories associated with them.

The film colourfully depicts Mt. Paekdu-san which looks more majestic as the climate of the alpine region makes kaleidoscopic changes; superb landscapes which are unfolded endlessly along the Amnok-gang and Tuman-gang rivers; and animals and plants in the highland area.

It impressively shows the revolutionary historic sites and revolutionary battlefields marked with the great leader's immortal history, historic remains which are carefully preserved as they were and his revolutionary exploits connected with them.

The film makes the spectators feel it an unbounded pride and honour to have our Party's revolutionary traditions and confirm their determination to successfully carry forward the revolutionary cause initiated by the great leader generation after generation.

"The Story about a Seaman" produced by the Korean February 8 Feature Film Studio is based on the events that take place from the time when Myong Hun, a young soldier and hero of the film, joins in the navy right up to the period when he grows into a one-beats-a-hundred. versatile sailor. Through various scenes of flashback, it introduces the life of his family full of ups and downs. Myong Hun's father is cruelly treated and insulted by aggressors at a naval port construction site in the days of Japanese imperialist rule; the hero's elder sister toils and moils, undergoing all manner of humiliation, at a landlord's when young; Myong Hun's mother and sister are separated from each other by adverse circumstances; pitiful to tell, his sister is sold away to a silk mill; and the US imperialist aggressor troops brutally put to death Myong Hun's father and other patriots and mercilessly trample down the legs of little Myong Hun during the Fatherland Liberation War.

Reflecting on the days gone by, Myong Hun takes part in combat political training with burning hatred towards the enemy and renders distinguished services in the battle to sink the enemy vessel which infiltrated into our territorial waters.

Through its fine artistic representation, the film proves that the revolution can be carried on from generation to generation only when the younger generations live with a high degree of revolutionary awareness, bearing in mind the miserable past of their parents who were exploited and oppressed.

"An Unforgettable Person", a production of the February 8 Feature Film Studio, delineates the struggle of a Party member who went into the midst of the enemies and conducted heroic activity during the Fatherland Liberation War.

The film gives an impressive portrayal of the lofty revolutionary spirit of Dok Sam, an interior serviceman and hero of the film, who, overcoming all difficulties and trials, fights on heroically to the last drop of his blood, not for the sake of his personal comfort and honour but only for the great leader and the Party Centre and for the political integrity which is more precious than his own life.

This film touches the right chord in the hearts of the spectators so deeply, because it makes them feel very grateful for the immense favour the great leader and the Party show by taking measures to probe into the exploits of all fighters including an unknown soldier who died already long ago and appraise their feats and enable even their posterity to enjoy this honour.

"Girl Chairman of a Management Board" is built on a beautiful story about a girl who belongs to the new generation. As a chairman of a co-op farm management board, she makes all her efforts to do farming as required by the great leader's Juche-based farming method.

The new films vigorously encourage our people to practice undivided loyalty to the great leader and the glorious Party and follow the road of revolution with fortitude generation after generation.

Yun Jong Ok

Mt. Paekdu-san, holy mountain of revolution, will tower eternally, conveying the immortal revolutionary exploits of the great leader from generation to generation (A scene from the documentary film "Mt. Paekdu-san")

On their return voyage after sinking an enemy ship, seamen set up a shout of joy at the news of arrival of the people's delegation at their unit (A scene from the feature film "The Story about a Seaman")

Dok Sam dies a heroic death, shouting "Long live General Kim Il Sung!" at the top of his voice (A still of the feature film "An Unforgettable Person")

Pukchang Thermal Power Station in the Thick of New Struggle for Increased Production

The Pukchang Thermal Power Station, a great power base, is located near a western coal field in our country.

This is one of the big thermal power stations built in large numbers in all parts of the country in accordance with the policy for developing power industry put forward by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, that is, the policy for properly combining the building of hydropower plants with that of thermal power stations.

Some ten years ago, though he was busy with state affairs the respected and beloved leader visited the land of Pukchang. At that time he said that in the Pukchang area coal and water were found in abundance and railways and transmission wires were already built and therefore this region was very advantageous to building a large-scale thermal power station. So saying, he personally fixed the site for it.

He came to the construction site of the power station on many occasions and gave scrupulous guidance to the workers in solving all problems, big and small, that arose in the project.

Boundlessly encouraged by this, the constructors launched a vigorous drive in their labour full of loyalty to him and completed in a short span of time a large-scale power station whose capacity was nearly two times greater than the total generating capacity of our country before liberation.

Thus far, this thermal power station, with its all processes modernized, has registered signal results in the struggle to increase power production for fully meeting the yearly-growing demand for electricity.

Recently the workers of the power station have made a new leap forward in their struggle to carry out the highly-important tasks advanced by the great leader in the New Year Address for 1977.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The workers and technicians in the power industry should work all the generators to full capacity by taking good care of the equipment and checking and repairing them in time as required by the technical regulations, and thus markedly increase the production of electric power."

Upholding the teaching of the great leader the power industry workers are operating all the generators at full capacity, vigorously conducting the "Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement" under the guidance and with the help of the three-revolution team members and leading functionaries.

Conscious of their being the master in charge of the power supply for the country, they are striving to produce even one more kwh of electricity. They are carefully handling the equipment as required by the technical regulations and actively introducing scientific operating methods in all processes of production.

In particular, they explored major reserves for higher output of electricity through the reduction of the repairing hour of the generating facilities and shortened the term of boiler repairing by more than half by applying a specialized and concentric method in repairing boilers.

Meanwhile, they readjusted and reinforced the equipment in the system of pulverized coal production and remarkably heightened its production capacity and quality. They raised the combustion efficiency and the per-hour output of steam by scientifically regulating the supply of fuel in keeping with the conditions of boilers and phenomenally augmented the output of electricity per hour by rationally operating boilers, turbines and generators.

The workers of the power station, who fulfilled their targets for production of electricity set in the Six-Year Plan one year and four months ahead of schedule, are producing over 3,400,000 kwh of more electricity on the daily average this year than the result in the corresponding period of last year.

Similar dynamic struggle for increased production of electricity is afoot in all thermal power stations of the country.

Thus, the ever-growing demand of the national economy for electricity has been met more satisfactorily with the implementation of the highly-important teaching of the respected and beloved leader on radically boosting the power production by making an effective use of the existing generating facilities.

Han Su Chon

In hearty response to the New Year Address of the fatherly leader the workers of the Pukchang Thermal Power Station increase the production of electricity by operating all the machines and facilities at full capacity

MANY NEW POWER PLANTS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Today in our country the demand of the national economy for electric power is growing rapidly with the fast progress of production and construction. To fully meet this demand, the existing power plants are now being used effectively and the construction of new power stations stepped up energetically.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"The Wiwon Power Station, the No. 2 Huichon Power Station, the Taedong-gang Power Station, the No. 3 Sodusu Power Station and the Chongchon-gang Steam-Power Plant now under way should be put into commission at early dates by concentrating efforts on their construction."

The great leader who had intelligently guided the work of developing the power industry in keeping with our natural conditions set forth this year a militant task of building modern hydroelectric and thermal power plants in various parts of the country to fully satisfy the demand of the national economy for electric power.

Bearing the great leader's teaching deep in mind, the builders of power stations are performing remarkable feats in their labour effort by vigorously unfolding the Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement under the guidance and with the assistance of the leading workers in the field of power construction and the members of the three-revolution team.

Even under the difficult circumstances in which they should cut water channels, overcoming unfavourable natural conditions, the builders of the No. 3 Sodusu Power Station in the northern area are hurrying with their work with intense loyalty to the great leader.

They are now increasing the water channel cutting speed 2.2 times as compared with the end of last year.

The constructors of the Taedonggang Power Station, one of the magnificent plants in the era of Juche, are increasing labour productivity by actively mechanizing their hard and backbreaking work. They are now increasing the speed of construction 1.5-2 times as against the end of last year.

The builders of the Chongchongang Steam-Power Plant are making one innovation after another to hasten the day when they will supply one more kwh of electricity to the sites of great socialist construction where new battle is at its height. They have already put a turbine into operation. They are vigorously pushing ahead with the building of another turbine, thus finishing the assembling of generating equipment in the main.

The constructors of the No. 2 Huichon Power Station are fulfilling their assignments every day without fail by determining the proper order of priority for work and mobilizing all reserves and potentialities to the maximum.

Like this, the construction of new power plants is being stepped up rapidly by our reliable builders. The output of electricity of our country will sharply increase in the near future.

Kim Yong U

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upon the Japanese people to pool their strength and conduct a vigorous movement against the Japan-south Korea fusion, strongly demanding the immediate withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea and Japan and supporting the south Korean people's struggle for democracy and the struggle of the Korean people for the country's reunification.

Narita Tomomi took the floor next.

He laid bare the scheme of the Japanese prime minister Fukuda to conceal the Japan-south Korea fusion and demanded a thorough investigation into the Pak "regime's" bribery vis-a-vis Japan.

The attitude of the Fukuda cabinet opposing the US troop pullout from south Korea can never be tolerated, he pointed out, and continued: I will resolutely fight against the reactionary Fukuda government backing the fascist Pak Jung Hi puppet regime and make every effort to realize the prompt withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea and the reunification of Korea.

He was followed by Miyamoto Kenji.

He reminded the audience of the payoffs between Japan and south Korea and the "Kim Dae Jung case" cooked up by the south Korean "Central Intelligence Agency" under the direct command of the quisling Pak Jung Hi. Referring to the Fukuda government's opposition to the US troop pullout from south Korea he said that this is an act to maintain the neo-colonialism of the United States in Asia and oppose the relaxation of tensions in this region. He demanded the immediate withdrawal from south Korea of the US troops, the biggest obstacle to Korea's independent and peaceful reunification.

Speeches were also made by Arai Norihisa who attended the meeting on behalf of the Chairman of the General Council of Japan Trade Unions and Aochi Shin.

Slogans for Actions, Appeal and Letter of Request Adopted

The meeting adopted slogans for future actions which read:

1. Probe into the relations of shady fusion between Japan and south Korea and don't tolerate the acts of the Fukuda cabinet and the Liberal Democratic Party to cover it up;

2. Don't tolerate the backstage activities of the south Korean lackeys centering around the "Japan-south Korea parliamentarians league";

3. We oppose the US-Japan-south Korea military and economic coordination;

4. We oppose the ratification of the "Japan-south Korea agreement on the continental shelf";

5. We denounce the Pak "regime's" suppression of freedom and democracy and demand immediate release of Kim Dae Jung and other political prisoners;

6. The Fukuda cabinet and financial circles must stop their "aid" to the Pak "regime" and radically alter the policy toward south Korea;

7. The United States must ship its troops out of south Korea and withdraw its troops from Japan and the rest of Asia;

8. Let us support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and strengthen friendship and solidarity with the Korean people.

An appeal and a letter of request to the Japanese government were adopted at the meeting.

The appeal said: It is a grave challenge to the Japanese people that the Fukuda cabinet does not intend to probe into the relations of shady fusion between Japan and south Korea, forms new relations of nexus and accelerates the US-Japan-south Korea military coordination.

Pointing out that recently political parties and public organizations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea advanced four-point save-the-nation proposal including convocation of the north-south political consultative conference, the appeal called upon the Japanese people to more dynamically conduct the movement for supporting the south Korean people's struggle against the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's suppression and for freedom and democracy and the Korean people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The contents of the letter of request are:

1. To probe into the shady fusion between Japan and south Korea;

2. To radically switch the policy toward south Korea to effect the stoppage of the US-Japan-south Korea military and economic coordination and suspension of "aid" to the Pak "regime" and so on;

3. To give up the ratification of the "Japan-south Korea agreement on the continental shelf";

4. To support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and the desire of the south Korean people for democracy and demand the release of Kim Dae Jung and other political prisoners;

5. To urge the United States to withdraw its troops present in south Korea and ship its troops out of Japan and the rest of Asia.

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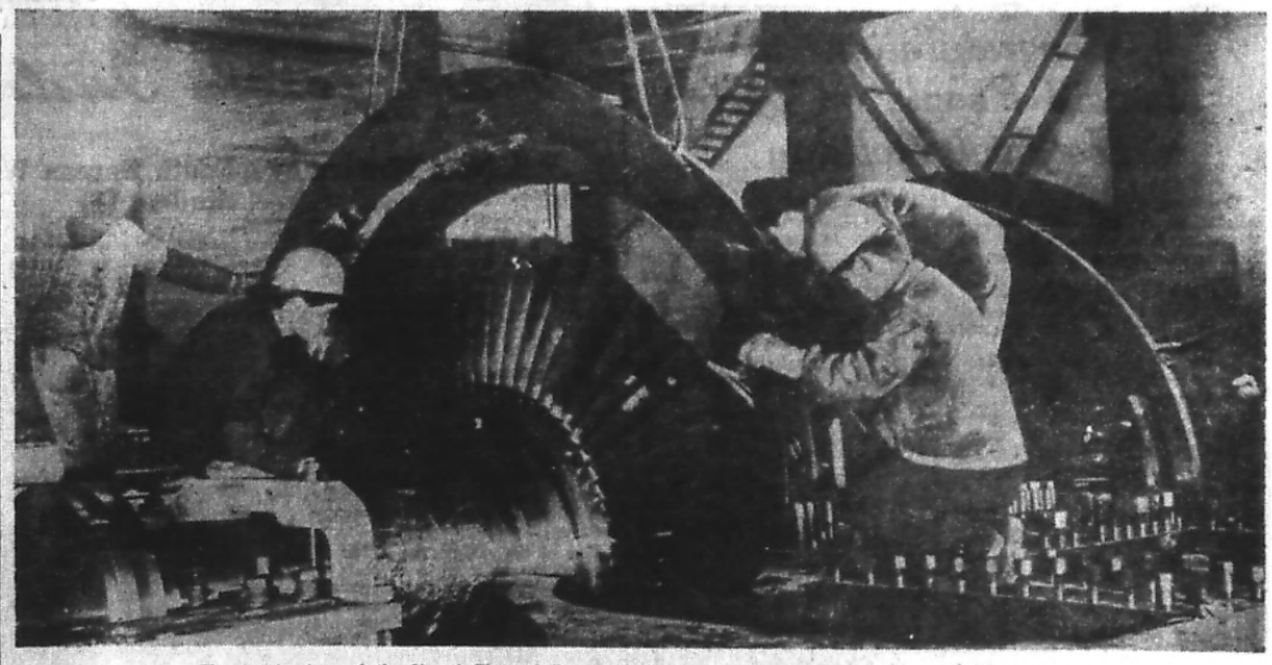

The constructors of the Unggi Thermal Power Station are making innovations in assembling turbines by energetically conducting the "Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement"

Friendship Visits

☆ A party workers delegation of the German Socialist Unity Party headed by Karl-Heinz Janson, Director of the Socialist Economy Guidance Department of the Central Committee of the GSUP, visited our country from January 18 to 25 at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

☆ A Soviet government trade delegation headed by I.T. Grishin, Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade, visited here from February 1 to 15.

☆ A government trade delegation of the Republic of Cuba headed by German Amando Blanco, Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade, paid a visit to our country from February 8 to 11.

☆ The delegation of the Chinese side to the Council of the Korea-China Amnok-gang Hydro-Electric Power Corporation headed by Li Hsi-ming, Vice-Minister of Water Conservancy and Power of the People's Republic of China, which came to our country on December 24, 1976 to attend the 29th meeting of the Council left for home on February 9.

☆ Volkov Aleksandr Veniaminovich, functionary of the Secretariat of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, was on a visit to our country from February 8 to 15.

TRAITOR PAK JUNG HI WILL BE METED OUT A SEVERE PUNISHMENT BY HISTORY

Criminal Intrigues for Treachery and Aggression

These days the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are following with greater zest the course of strengthening their collusion with the Japanese reactionaries, upset by the demand of the times—the voices calling for the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggressor troops from south Korea are growing in addition to the vehement denunciation of their violation of human rights and their international bribery scandals.

Their move found its concentric expression in the "sixth general meeting of the south Korea-Japan parliamentarians league" convened in Tokyo on February 16 and the "south Korea-Japan foreign ministers talks" held the following day. What cannot be overlooked here is that in these consultations the treacherous acts of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and the aggressive acts of the Japanese reactionaries have been fused closely and their criminal manoeuvres have reached a graver stage.

In the two confabs they concentrated efforts, above all, on opposing the pullback from south Korea of the US army, the main obstacle to Korea's reunification and the constant source of war, and committed themselves to further ganging up with each other in this matter.

In a "joint statement" published after the "sixth general meeting of the south Korea-Japan parliamentarians league", they embellished the US troops' occupation of south Korea and prattled that their "reduction" meant bringing about "instability" in Korea and Northeast Asia and that a "careful consideration" should be given to the withdrawal of the US troops. At the "south Korea-Japan foreign ministers talks" they described the US troops' pullout as "destroying the military balance" and shared the view that their withdrawal "would not be required."

In a nutshell, the south Korean puppet clique and the Japanese reactionaries begged not for the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggression troops from south Korea but for their continued presence there.

The height of absurdity is their sophistries such as "deterrent force to war" and "military balance" they brought forth to oppose the US troop withdrawal. As the reality of Korea shows, the US imperialist aggression troops occupying south Korea are not a "deterrent force to war" but a constant source of the exacerbation of tension and the danger of war. This is well known to the world. The "military balance" theory of theirs is a sordid design to maintain the US army's occupation of south Korea, aggravate the division of Korea and turn Korea into an arena of confrontation by "strength" and military conflicts.

It is not without reason that the south Korean puppet clique and the Japanese reactionaries are engaged in their vile and impudent moves against the withdrawal of the US troops.

It is publicly recognized that the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are traitors to the nation and international outcasts who are isolated and repudiated within and without and that they cannot maintain their existence even a day without the "protection" of the US army. That is why they are afraid of the pullout of the US troops from south Korea and are dead set against their withdrawal.

The Japanese reactionaries pursue the unlimitedly expansionist aim of protecting their interests by saving the pro-Japanese lackeys from crisis at any cost and of stepping up their reinvasion of south Korea in political, economic and military spheres with the backing of the US imperialists and with the puppets as the guide for their aggression. Accordingly, the Japanese reactionaries oppose the US troop pullback from south Korea, fan up the south Korean puppets' schemes for division, confrontation and war—the "proposal for simultaneous admission of north and south Korea to the UN", "proposal for non-aggression pact" and the like—and tighten their tie-up with them.

At the two farcical parleys, measures were discussed to strengthen "economic cooperation", particularly, to bring to early conclusion the "agreement on continental shelf".

By these steps the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique seek to introduce more Japanese monopoly capital into south Korea and increase war potentials so as to put spurs to their manoeuvres for split and war and the Japanese reactionaries try to seize a tighter hold on south Korea as a place for their capital investment, a commodity market and a supplier of labour force under the cloak of "assistance".

All these facts show more strikingly the true colours of the Japanese reactionaries satiated with lust for overseas expansion and prove with added clarity the treacherous nature of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who lead the national economy to ruin through extensive induction of foreign monopoly capital and leave even the valuable sea-bed resources, which are within the sovereignty of Korea, at the disposal of the foreign monopoly capitalists.

All the dangerous compact of the south Korean puppet clique and the Japanese reactionaries renders the situation in Korea still more strained and poses a greater menace to peace in Korea. It is an outrageous challenge to the Korean people and other peoples of the world and an anachronistic, criminal act.

The criminal acts of the south Korean puppet clique and the Japanese reactionaries who ignore the strong, unanimous demand of the times for the withdrawal of the US troops from south Korea and the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea will surely be held in check by the Korean people who enjoy the active support of the world peaceloving people.

Choe Sung Mu

Quisling's Virulent Challenge

These days the south Korean puppet clique are opposing without any consideration the four-point patriotic proposal put forward at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations, the proposal which is commanding the warm welcome and absolute support of our people and the progressive peoples of the world. Speaking ill of this proposal, they are conducting a provocative counter-propaganda.

In order to mislead the public opinion at home and abroad they have been engaged in word-juggling with a nonsensical call for "non-aggression pact" and are quibbling that "peace is urgent" and "reunification should be postponed".

By so doing, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique again stripped naked their true colours as a band of inveterate quislings, splittists and the most vicious traitors to the nation.

The shameless counterpropaganda carried on by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique under the subterluge of the so-called "non-aggression pact" and "peace first, reunification next" is pursuing the insidious, divisive aim of freezing the country's split and fabricating "two Koreas" at all costs by obstinately preventing just steps for the independent and peaceful reunification. This is clear to everybody.

Today when the whole nation is longing for national reunification so ardently, this attitude of the south Korean puppet clique against reunification is an outrageous challenge to the nation.

Their "peace" hoax is brought to full light by the "non-aggression pact" which is painted as something to provide "guarantee of peace".

The alleged "non-aggression pact" says nothing of armament reduction, makes the military confrontation between the north and the south and the occupation of south Korea by the US imperialist aggression troops a fait accompli and aims to maintain this situation. Therefore, the "pact" has nothing to do with the "guarantee of peace" and, on the contrary, it provides for legalization of the permanent occupation of south Korea by the US army and will only cause a disaster making the people further exposed to the danger of a nuclear war. That is why there is no need to recount that "peace first, reunification next" means a war and perpetual division of the nation.

Such divisive moves and war manoeuvrings of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are criminal acts to be cursed forever, the acts the traitors' clique alone can commit for their long-term office and personal comfort paying no attention to the future destinies of the nation and the country.

Unless the splittist machinations of the traitorous fascist gangsters are thwarted and the divisive fascist regime of suppression is removed, no progress can be achieved in the struggle to realize the cause of reunification.

Through their titanic struggle the entire patriotic people of north and south Korea will check and foil the moves of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to bisect the country in the form of "two Koreas" and dismember the nation for good and will certainly accomplish the historic cause of national reunification.

Ro Dong Mun

Cartoon by Son Chang Hak

TRAITOR PAK JUNG HI REPUDIATED EVEN BY "CONFIDANTS"

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"...the aggressive manoeuvres of the imperialists and the country-selling, treacherous acts of their lackeys to rig up 'two Koreas', perpetuate national division and keep south Korea as a colony and military base are being condemned and frustrated more and more at home and abroad."

Today the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who are hard hit and further isolated from within and without for their treachery to the country and the people are repudiated even by their "confidants".

A clear proof of this is furnished by the fact that recently the number of their close "aides" who went abroad as refugees has grown sharply in addition to the scramble for presidency by former puppet Prime Minister Kim Jong Pil, former puppet KCIA Director Li Hu Rak and other bigwigs, and the coup d'etat attempt by former Metropolitan Garrison Commander Yun Pil Yong, former Commander of the Army Security Command Kang Chang Song and other top-level servants.

In December last year Kim Sang Gun who was the adviser at the puppet embassy in Washington and served for many years as the "chief for control of the bribery operation" vis-a-vis the United States sought refuge there, taking the "records" of payoff scandals with him. Prior to this, in July four military attaches at the puppet embassy in Washington refused the order to return to south Korea and turned their back on Pak Jung Hi the scoundrel.

The cases in which puppet public officials exiled themselves not only in the United States but in other parts of the world numbered more than 20 in recent days alone.

"Family members" of Pak Jung Hi the ruffian, who took refuge in foreign countries are beyond count. Among them are Li Jae Hyon, former information councillor and information chief at the south Korean puppet embassy in Washington, Li Ryong Un, former chief of the general staff of the south Korean puppet naval forces, Kim Hyong Uk, former Director of the puppet KCIA, Rim Chang Yong, who had been the "south Korean ambassador to the United Nations", Kim Sun Tae, former consul at the puppet embassy in Bonn, etc.

A reason why even the most faithful "vassals" of the traitor raised the standard of revolt lies in that they perceived the anti-popular reactionary crimes of the Pak Jung Hi fascist puppet clique and, furthermore, they keenly realized that their own ruin will inevitably come if they continue to follow in the footsteps of Pak Jung Hi the rogue, who already started to give off stench.

Another reason is that they are always under the apprehension that they will sooner or later come within the range of sword-brandishing of the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen who leave no means untried to stay in power for long.

As foreign news dispatches said, the motive of Kim Sang Gun's flight was that he sensed the danger of his life because the traitor Pak Jung Hi has stretched his crooked hands to make reprisals, enraged at the disclosure of bribe-giving.

Those who fled abroad recognize their past crimes and roundly expose the traitorous crimes of Pak Jung Hi the blackguard.

Saying that "the Pak 'regime' irons out even an iota of democracy", the former information chief at the south Korean puppet embassy in Washington, who took refuge in the United States, systematically brought to light the crimes of the Pak Jung Hi fascist group and disclosed the fact that Pak Jung Hi, the ringleader of the puppets, issued a "directive" to the puppet embassy in Washington to perform the bribery scandals vis-a-vis his US masters.

In summer last year the former consul at the puppet embassy in Bonn who sought refuge in West Germany called upon the puppet public officials and ROK soldiers in south Korea to squarely see the sealed fate of the fascist dictator and rise up.

It is not only puppet public officials—deserters from south Korea—who rise up against Pak Jung Hi the villain.

The puppet public officials who are obliged to keep their posts to eke out an existence, counting on Pak Jung Hi the scoundrel, betray their dissatisfaction, saying: "Pak Jung Hi will be toppled before long. So we need to live sobermindedly. Otherwise, we will make a mess of our personal affairs" and "The destruction of the Pak 'regime' is a matter of time." They are also negligent in attending to their duties.

That the anti-Pak Jung Hi sentiments are daily growing among the puppet public officials is evidenced by the fact that the traitor staged the farce "cabinet reshuffle" and relieved puppet ministers, heads of offices and "KCIA Director" of their post at the end of last year and under the name of "renovation of general administrative affairs" he dismissed over 39,000 "officials" of the puppet organs in the first ten months of 1976 and took "disciplinary measures".

As seen above, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are more and more isolated and repudiated by the south Korean people and even by their "confidants".

At present the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique go on the rampage, resorting to every conceivable means and method to placate the ever-mounting anti-Pak Jung Hi sentiments.

With no machination, however, can the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who are engrossed in treacherous acts put down the anti-"government" sentiments of the south Korean people or stop the accelerated disintegration of their regime.

Yun Hae Ik

"WE DENOUNCE SHADY JAPAN-SOUTH KOREA FUSION"

Demonstration and Meeting Held in Tokyo against "Sixth General Meeting of the Japan-South Korea Parliamentarians League"

Japanese people February 15 thronged to the New Otani Hotel in Akasaka, Tokyo, where south Korean puppet national assemblymen were quartered and held a powerful demonstration protesting against the "sixth general meeting of the Japan-south Korea parliamentarians league," according to a KNS report from Tokyo.

The demonstrators waged a sit-down for long hours in front of the hotel, shouting the slogans "Dissolve immediately the Japan-south Korea parliamentarians league," "We will not pardon the bribing group" and "We denounce shady Japan-south Korea fusion".

The demonstration was preceded by a protest rally at the Shimizutani park adjacent to the hotel.

Speaking at the meeting, Wada Haruki, General Secretary of the "Japan Liaison Council for Solidarity with South Korean People," declared that the south Korean puppet national assemblymen who had visited Japan for the "general meeting of the Japan-south Koren parliamentarians league" could not represent the will of the south Korean people and democratic figures.

Saying that the "general meeting" was a bargaining for further intensifying the suppression and aggression, he exposed the criminal scheme in all its nakedness.

He read the "statement of reasons for appeal" by south Korean ex-"President" Yun Bo Son, saying that it won the support of the south Korean people and democratic figures as it strongly demanded the immediate step-down of the Pak Jung Hi clique.

Speeches were made at the meeting by representatives of the "emergency conference of Christians for the south Korean affairs" and various other organizations.

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Pak Jung Hi Puppet Bandits' Barbarity of Fascist Suppression Condemned

CPC Chairman and SPM Chairman Issue Joint Statement

Joaquin Molano Campusano, Chairman of the Colombian Peace Council, and Gorgi Nden Ndao, Chairman of the Senegalese Peace Movement, issued recently a joint statement in Moscow in denunciation of the south Korean Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits' barbarous suppression of people, according to a report.

The statement denounced the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen who imposed heavy penalties upon Kim Dae Jung and other publishers of the "Declaration for Democracy and National Salvation" and are trying hard to inflict penalties upon students of Seoul University who waged a peaceful campus demonstration.

The statement continued:

The Pak Jung Hi puppet bandits are now able to try the handcuffed south Korean patriots and students. But tomorrow they will be unable to escape a severe judgement of history and people for their crimes.

If the south Korean fascist elements persist in their suppression of people despite the repeated protests and denunciation from the world peaceloving forces, they will certainly meet the same miserable end as that of the erstwhile fascist tyrants who faced a stern judgement of history.

In conclusion the statement strongly called upon the peaceloving organizations and peoples the world over to resolutely denounce the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's fascist suppression and violation of human rights and wage a more extensive solidarity movement for rescuing the south Korean patriotic people.

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Criminal "Export of Human Internal Organs" Exposed Further

More facts about the criminal "export of human internal organs" by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, traitors to the nation, have been brought to light.

According to "Choson Sinbo," a Korean paper published in Japan, 433 boxes containing human livers and kidneys each weighing about 4 kg. were carried to the United States in a little over one year from one month after the US imperialists caused epidemic haemorrhagic fever through their bacteriological weapon test by a new kind of virus in south Korea in 1975.

This unpardonable "export of internal organs" committed by chartering planes of the Japan Airlines continued till the end of November last year from November 1975.

According to new data available, luggages containing internal organs were transported to the United States 130 times between November 1975 and July 1976. The transport of luggages was most frequent in May (53 luggages weighing 212 kg. in 18 shipments) and June (68 luggages weighing 272 kg. in 17 shipments) in 1976.

It was a period when epidemic haemorrhagic fever caused by a new virus was most prevalent in south Korea. This proves that the volume of luggages containing internal organs increased at a time when epidemic haemorrhagic fever was most rampant in south Korea.

It has been confirmed that internal organs put into the 433 luggages were those dissected from more than 1,000 corpses.

According to data clarified in the course of investigation, there are strong suspicions that a "laboratory" in Maryland, the destination of the luggages containing internal organs, has raked up a huge amount of money, putting up the signboard of a private enterprise, through business transaction with the biological warfare headquarters of the US army.

(KCNA)

Congratulations to Kuwaiti People on Their National Holiday

The Korean people extend warm felicitations to the friendly Kuwaiti people who are greeting the 16th anniversary of their independence.

The independence of Kuwait on February 25, 1961 was an event of epochal significance in the history of its people.

In the 16 years since independence the Kuwaiti people have scored successes in their struggle to consolidate national independence and build a new society.

The government of Kuwait which has so far employed progressive measures for the independent development of the country completely brought under state ownership the share certificates of the oil companies belonging to imperialist monopolies in 1975 and thus put an end to the history of domination over and plunder of Kuwaiti petroleum by the imperialists.

Thanks to the positive steps of the government to prospect and develop new oil-producing centres and increase the output of oil the daily yield of petroleum amounted to two million barrels.

Along with this, the capacity of refining and transport of petroleum is on the rapid increase.

Through a struggle launched to develop the national economy in a diversified way, power, chemical and machine-building industries have come into being.

Successes have also been made in the spheres of education, culture and public health.

In his message of greetings sent to Emir Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah on the occasion of the national holiday of the state of Kuwait, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"Believing that the relations of friendship and cooperation sealed between our two countries will be further strengthened and developed in conformity with the interests of the peoples of the two countries, I sincerely wish fresh successes in the struggle of Your Highness and your people to attain the country's independent development and national prosperity."

For the community of their past position and present struggle the peoples of Korea and Kuwait are closely bound with each other.

The Korean people who cherish the relations of friendship and cooperation with the Kuwaiti people warmly hail the successes made in their struggle to achieve the country's prosperity and heartily wish them greater results in their future struggle.

Cho Son Won

A Sufferer's Indictment

A Note Written by a South Korean Woman University Student (1)

The newspaper "Hyokmyong Chonson" (Revolutionary Front) published in Seoul printed a note of a south Korean female university student entitled "A Sufferer's Indictment" in its issues extending from October 26 to December 2, 1976.

As is generally known, in April 1974 the man-killer Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits arrested a large number of guiltless youth and students and personages of different strata and put them to brutal torture to concoct the "case of the National Federation of Youth and Students for Democracy (Minchonghakryon)."

One of the victims, the author of the note is subjected to all sorts of maltreatment in prison even today.

From this issue of our paper, we Editorial Board serially publishes the note of this girl student shedding a revealing light on an aspect of the vicious, thrice-cursed brutality of the Pak Jung Hi cutthroats who wantonly violate human rights.

April 4, 1974

I cannot forget this day forever.

I left school shortly after four o'clock. I took a bus at a bus stop in front of the school and started on my way home earlier than usual.

Just outside the campus and at main points of the streets were posted uniformed or plain-clothes policemen.

The day before there was a students' anti-government demonstration. So the streets were enveloped in a terror-laden atmosphere. Closed shops were in sight. Facial expression of people looked sad.

I got off at a bus stop facing the Rimun market and trod heavily towards a lane beside the Rimun primary school. What happened yesterday came over and over to my mind.

It was late yesterday that I learned of the street demonstration.

It was towards the evening that I read one of the copies of the "declaration of democracy, the people and the nation" scattered in the streets— the declaration made in the name of the "Minchonghakryon".

When I was walking on, I felt as if shouts of hot-blooded students were ringing in my ears. They were up in the mass, national and democratic movement to cut off the chains of despair and despotism and bring about genuine freedom and equality in this land.

If at ordinary times, I would have entered a tea house with my friends to take a sip before parting. But that day I was not inclined to do so.

In the morning my mother, following me as far as the outside of the gate, told me not to go somewhere else but to return home right away after school. Besides, the surveillance of policemen in plain-clothes was strict. So I was hurrying home straight without stopping anywhere.

When I was passing by a real estate agency at quick pace with my head down, someone headed me off all of a sudden.

I was surprised.

"You're Miss Li, aren't you?" said a man of large build wearing sunglasses and a black jacket. He seemed to be about 40.

As I was standing bewildered without a prompt reply, he took out his identification card and showed it to me, saying: "I've some business with you. Let's go together a little while."

"What do you want of me?" I asked in amazement.

"You'll see if you come along with me." Saying this, the man in a black jumper urged me to go ahead.

I was guiltless, but my heart kept thumping without reason.

My home was not far off.

So I asked him if I might drop in at my home for a few minutes to tell my mother and leave my satchel behind. But he refused point-blank. The excuse was that he was pressed for time now.

I turned on my heels unwillingly.

When we reached the vicinity of the Rimun primary school, a passenger car was already awaiting us.

Two men standing by the car thrust me into the car by force.

No sooner had they shoved me into the car than they handcuffed me and placed me beneath the back seat like a load. Two of them sat down plumped on my back. I was almost out of breath.

The car sped on for nearly 30 minutes, carrying me in such a state.

When the car came to a halt, they blindfolded me with a strip of black cloth and dragged me out of the car.

I was taken away blindfold. When I was unblindfolded, I found myself in a dismal room surrounded with concrete walls.

What attracted my attention in the chamber were 7 to 8 rowdyish persons sitting in a circle.

They were looking daggers at me.

A horror-ridden atmosphere prevailed the room and a repugnant smell of blood hanging in the air stank in my nostrils. Startling screams were heard to proceed from the adjoining chamber.

"You know the reason why you've been brought here, don't you?"

A man in narrow-rimmed spectacles questioned me. I was seated on the concrete floor on benched knees. He looked like the chief.

I told him that I didn't know why.

"It's not likely... You may guess where you are, understand?"

He again queried me half in joke.

I still remained in silence.

I could not understand at all what I should have been brought here for.

"This is the Central Intelligence Agency. As you say, we can kill or save anyone at will. If you answer our questions obediently, you can return home alive. Otherwise, you'll go to hell. Let me tell you beforehand that even the Taoist Immortals are stripped of their skin and likewise the dead are compelled to own up here. It's advisable for you to bear this in mind and behave yourself well. Remember that it will be for your own good!"

What he said was, from the outset, meant to threaten and browbeat me.

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